

Abstract

Ginkgo leaves contain many beneficial chemicals which can be transferred into a preparation of tea. However, the leaves contain 2-hexenal, a chemical which is toxic and has an unpleasant taste. Therefore, removal of the 2-hexenal is an essential step for the tea production. This removal is accomplished in this invention by a microwave apparatus, which has the advantage of a rapid rate of treatment at great energy efficiency. Therefore, this invention provides an effective means for large scale ginkgo leaf tea production..